

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1255

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By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, petition of Emile J. Goguen that the Higher Education Coordinating Council be directed to make an investigation and study of non-resident tuition rates at certain state colleges. Higher Education.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

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### AN ACT CONCERNING RESIDENT TUITION FOR PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS NEAR STATE BORDERS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

- 1 The Higher Education Coordinating Council shall conduct a
- 2 study to determine the effect of current non-resident tuition rates
- 3 on enrollment at public institutions of higher education near state
- 4 borders. Said study shall include a comparison of tuition charges
- 5 by neighboring states' public institutions of higher education and
- 6 shall make recommendations on changes it deems appropriate to
- 7 current resident/non-resident tuition charges including possible
- 8 exceptions for residents of neighboring states.
- 9 Said study and recommendations shall be completed prior to
- 10 the establishment of tuition rates for the Academic Year 2005 and
- 11 shall be filed with the House and Senate Committees on Ways and
- 12 Means.